



In the Midst of Leadership Change

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Leadership transitions are an ongoing part of life at every level. Sometimes the baton is passed successfully, other times not so much. How can we confidently navigate changes in leadership with hope?

- From Moses to Joshua ([NUMBERS 27](#) & [JOSHUA 1](#))
- From Naomi to Ruth ([RUTH 1](#) & [4](#))
- From Elijah to Elisha ([1 KINGS 19](#) & [2 KINGS 2](#))
- From Paul to Timothy ([ACTS 16](#) & [2 TIMOTHY 4](#))
- From Jesus to the Holy Spirit ([JOHN 14](#) & [16](#) and [ACTS 1](#) & [2](#))

In the midst of leadership change we need to remember:

1. The [mission](#) continues.
2. The Lord has been [preparing the next person](#).
3. The Lord is [present](#).
4. The need for courage [in the wait](#).

THE **ONE THING:** [Expect to be strengthened "in the wait."](#)

NEXT STEPS

- Memorize [ISAIAH 40:31](#).
- Pray, for the one whom the Lord will provide as our next Kids Ministries Director.
- Step up as a ministry volunteer (this summer and/or this fall).
- Don't forget the other word for "wait".

DISCOVERY QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY OR GROUP DISCUSSION

Check-In: Since we last met, how did your "I will..." and sharing go?

1. What are you thankful for? What challenge or stress are you facing? Do you know anyone who needs help at this time? As a group, how can we help?
2. Read [ACTS 16:6-15](#) together (at least twice), and take turns retelling it in your own words as if sharing with a friend who isn't here.
3. What stands out to you and why? What do these verses tell us about God? What do these verses tell us about humanity/about us?
4. If this is God speaking, how will you apply it to your life?
(Share a specific: "I will...")
5. Who will you share with before we meet again?
*(Name a specific person you plan to **share with**.)*

If you'd like to learn more about the discovery group process, connect with marcus@oakwoodnow.org